CHAPTER 1117

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST INTEREST RATE

H. F. 254

AN ACT relating to the rate of interest which may be paid by a real estate investment trust.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section five hundred thirty-five point two (535.2),

2 subsection two (2), Code 1971, is amended as follows:

2. Any domestic or foreign corporation or real estate investment trust as defined in section 856 of the Internal Revenue Code may agree in writing to pay any rate of interest in excess of the rate prescribed in subsection 1 hereof, and no such corporation or real

estate investment trust so agreeing in writing shall plead or inter-

8 pose the claim or defense of usury in any action or proceeding.

Approved February 11, 1972.

CHAPTER 1118

BONDED WAREHOUSES

H. F. 1272

AN ACT relating to bonded warehouses.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section five hundred forty-three point one (543.1), Code 1971, is amended by striking subsection eight (8) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

8. "Warehouseman" means any person engaged in the business of operating a warehouse for the storing, shipping, handling or processing of agricultural products.

1 SEC. 2. Section five hundred forty-three point one (543.1), Code

2 1971, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

1. "'Unlicensed warehouseman' means a warehouseman who retains grain in his warehouse not to exceed ten days and is not licensed under the provisions of this chapter or Title VII, U.S.C.A."

2. "'Scale weight ticket' means a load slip or other evidence, other than a receipt, given to a depositor by a warehouseman licensed under this chapter upon initial delivery of the agricultural product to the

warehouse."
3. "'Depositor' means any person who deposits an agricultural product in a warehouse for storage, handling, or shipment, or who is the owner or legal holder of an outstanding warehouse receipt, or who is lawfully entitled to possession of the agricultural product."

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4. "'Station' means a warehouse located more than three miles from
the central office of the warehouse or in a different city or town than

16 the central office."

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5. "'Warehouseman's obligation' means a sufficient quantity and quality of grain or other products for which a warehouseman is licensed including company owned grain and grain of depositors as the warehouseman's records indicate. For an unlicensed warehouse-man it means a sufficient quantity and quality to cover company owned and all deposits of grain for which actual payment has not been made. At no time may a warehouseman have less grain in his warehouse than his obligations to depositors, as determined by investigation of the warehouseman's records."

SEC. 3. Section five hundred forty-three point four (543.4), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

543.4 Issuance of license. The commission is authorized, upon application to it, to issue to any warehouseman or to any person about to become a warehouseman a license or licenses for the operation of a warehouse or warehouses in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and such rules and regulations as may be made by the commission under the authority of section 543.3. A single license may be issued for the operation of two or more warehouses located in the same city or town and operated by the same warehouseman. Licenses to a warehouseman to operate two or more warehouses located in different cities or towns may be issued under a single application but a separate license shall be issued for such operation in each city or town. A license to operate two or more warehouses located in different cities or towns within a twenty-five mile radius of a central office may be issued under a single application, but a separate fee shall be charged for each station.

SEC. 4. Section five hundred forty-three point thirteen (543.13), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Each bond required under section 543.12 shall be in such form and shall contain such reasonable terms and conditions for the protection of the public as the commission shall prescribe, and shall be endorsed as surety by a bonding company authorized to do business in this state. No bond shall be canceled by the surety on less than ninety days' notice by certified mail to the commission and the principal. In no event, shall the liability of the surety on any bond required by section 543.12 accumulate for each successive license period during which the bond is in force. The liability of the surety shall be limited in the aggregate to the face amount of the bond.

SEC. 5. Section five hundred forty-three point thirteen (543.13), subsection three (3), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

3. If the agricultural products intended to be stored by the warehouseman, as specified in his application for a license or an amended license, include both bulk grain and other agricultural products the minimum amount of the bond shall be the total of the minimum amount which would have been required for the exclusive storage of the bulk grain plus the minimum amount which would have been required for the exclusive storage of the agricultural products other than bulk grain. One bond, cumulative as to minimum requirements, may be accepted from a warehouseman operating warehouses in two or more cities or towns. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the bond provided in this section shall cover all bulk grain

deposited with a licensed warehouseman, whether under open storage 14 or warehouse receipts. 15

Section five hundred forty-three point seventeen (543.17). Code 1971, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Receiving bulk grain at licensed and unlicensed warehouses. 543.17

1. Any grain which has been received at any licensed warehouse for which the actual sale price is not fixed and proper documentation made or payment made shall be construed to be grain held for storage within the meaning of this chapter. Grain may be held in open storage or placed on warehouse receipt. Actual payment shall be made on all priced grain, or warehouse receipts shall be issued for all grain held in open storage, within six months of delivery to the warehouse, unless the depositor has signed a statement that he does not desire a warehouse receipt. Such grain shall then be considered as open storage. Any deposit of grain for which the price has not been fixed and properly documented within thirty days from delivery to the warehouse shall be deemed as storage. The warehouseman's tariff shall apply for any grain that is retained in open storage or under warehouse receipt.

Bulk grain deposited with a licensed warehouseman for processing, cleaning, drying, shipping for the account of the depositor or any other purpose shall be removed within thirty days or such grain shall be determined as stored grain and the warehouseman's tariff charges

shall apply.

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Grain received on a scale ticket which fails to have the price fixed and properly documented on the records of the warehouseman shall be construed to be in open storage and shall be covered by the warehouseman's bond within the provisions of this chapter.

All grain whether open storage or having been placed on warehouse receipt shall be covered by the warehouseman's bond as required

under the provisions of this chapter.

2. Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, a written agreement may be made within thirty days of first delivery of any bulk grain to a licensed warehouseman that payment will be deferred to a future date. Such agreement shall contain a statement informing the seller that the warehouseman shall not be required to carry insurance or bond on such grain for the benefit of the seller and that the payment for such grain becomes a common claim against the warehouse-

The agreement in addition to such other information as may be required shall contain the following:

a. The seller's or depositor's name and address.

b. The conditions of delivery.

- The amount and kind of grain delivered.
- d. The price per bushel or basis of value.

e. The date payment is to be made.

Such agreement must be numbered and signed by both parties and executed in triplicate. One copy shall be retained by the warehouseman, one copy shall be delivered to the seller and one copy shall be forwarded to the commission within five days from execution of such agreement.

Grain received under a deferred payment contract under the provisions of this section shall not be deemed as stored grain.

Any grain which has been received at any unlicensed warehouse and for which the actual sale price has not been fixed and payment made within ten days from receipt of the grain, shall be construed to be grain held for storage within the meaning of this chapter. Bulk grain received at any unlicensed warehouse for any other purpose must either be returned to the depositor or disposed of by order of the depositor within ten days from date of actual deposit of the bulk

If the depositor of bulk grain in an unlicensed warehouse fails to sell the grain or orders other disposition of the grain, the warehouseman may purchase the grain on the tenth day after deposit at not less than the local market price at the close of business on the tenth day or return the grain to the depositor by the tenth day.

- Section five hundred forty-three point thirty-three 2 (543.33), subsections three (3) and four (4), Code 1971, are 3 amended to read as follows:
 - 3. For the renewal or extension of each license, twenty-four dollars per station.
- 4. For the issuance of a license, two dollars for each month or fraction thereof of the period of time for which such license is issued per 8 station.
- SEC. 8. Section five hundred forty-three point nine (543.9), Code 1971, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 1119

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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AN ACT creating a department of environmental quality, specifying its powers, duties, and functions, and providing penalties for violations thereof.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

DIVISION I

- SECTION 1. When used in this Act, unless the context otherwise 2 requires: 3
 - 1. "Department" means the department of environmental quality.
- 2. "Executive director" means the executive director of the depart-4 ment of environmental quality or his designee. 5
- 3. "Executive committee" means the executive committee of the 6 department of environmental quality.
- There is created a department of environmental quality. 2 The chief administrative officer of the department shall be the execu-
- tive director of environmental quality, who shall be appointed by the